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AN EPISTLE TO PAUL.

Every practical man knows that the saloons in this town are nearly all kept closed on Sunday, and that the Sunday closing law is enforced as well as it can be. Substantially the same is true of gambling. If a man has a strong thirst, he will hunt till he finds a means for satisfying it. The same is true of a craving for gambling. There could be no enforcement of law strict enough to stamp out gambling and Sunday drinking. Chief of Police Paul has the interview published in The Herald yesterday.

WE DON'T KNOW what Chief of Police Paul's understanding of the expression, "practical man," is, but if he means a man of ordinary intelligence, then we must take the liberty of differing from him. Every Salt Lake who has made even a cursory investigation of the Sunday saloon knows that the chief is in error when he says they are nearly all kept closed on Sunday. As a matter of fact, not more than fifteen of the ninety saloons in Salt Lake are closed on the first day of the week.

Those fifteen, and that is a very liberal estimate, are closed, not because of any activity on the part of the police department, but because their proprietors have some regard for the law and are willing to give their employees a brief rest. The other seventy-five sell whisky and beer and other intoxicants with almost the same freedom on Sundays as on week days. If Chief Paul considers fifteen "nearly all" of a possible ninety, he would be a good man to owe money to. But it hardly likely that he would say that the man who paid him \$15 on a \$30 account had paid nearly all the money. No; the lively stable and the police force are run by the same man on vastly different principles.

A word as to gambling: The Herald is well aware of the fact that no law enforcement could be strict enough to stop all gambling in a city of the size of Salt Lake. Some men, and some women, too, are born with a lust for gambling, and they will gamble, law or no law. It is possible, however, for the law to stop public gambling; it is possible for Chief of Police Paul, by a simple notification, to close the doors of every one of the houses that are openly and notoriously in operation today.

He cannot say that there is no public gambling, for he recognizes it by allowing his officers to collect \$100 per month from each of the more prominent ones by way of fine, or license. Chief Paul has the authority to raid these places every day and to break every gambling device contained therein into atoms. So long as he does not exercise his authority he has no right to say that gambling cannot be stopped in this city.

And the same thing is true of the Sunday liquor selling. Nine-tenths of the saloons would be closed on Sunday and kept closed if their proprietors were informed that they would be prosecuted for keeping their places open on the Sabbath day. The other one-tenth could be kept in check by the police. The Sunday saloon has been closed before with a force no larger than that under Chief Paul's command; why does he not make some effort to perform his full duty?

THE SCHOOL OF MINES.

THE HERALD is sorry to note that discussion has grown up between the University of Utah and the Agricultural college over the appropriation recommended by Governor Wells for the state school of mines. We wish the brethren could dwell together in unity, but apparently they cannot. And clearly the university people are in the right of it.

The proper place for the state school of mines is the state university. There can be no serious argument over that proposition. President Kerr of the Agricultural college to the contrary notwithstanding. We hardly believe President Kerr ever seriously entertained the idea that he could win the school of mines for his institution. To put it there would be as sensible as to put a law school in a theological seminary.

The province of the Agricultural college is to teach young men and young women useful, practical things about home and farm work. Other studies should, of course, be pursued there, but they should be incidental. The Agricultural college receives substantial assistance from the national government every year on the theory that it will turn out scientific farmers and trained experts in mechanical lines.

This is the kind of work the Agricultural college of Utah and agricultural colleges in other states have been doing for years, and doing well. There is no occasion now for the local institution to turn its attention to educational matters entirely outside its legitimate sphere. The Herald thinks too highly of President Kerr to believe that he has any hope of securing the school of mines. It is much more reasonable to suppose that the future has been started in the hope of bringing about such a compromise as will yield a more liberal appropriation to the Logan college.

The state school of mines will be, and properly so, a most important adjunct to the state university. It will fit in very nicely with the other work there, and The Herald predicts that the legislators will resolve any doubts they may have in favor of the university.

The recent decision of the supreme court of Massachusetts, to the effect that "Dakota divorcees" under certain

conditions must not be recognized in Massachusetts, is of more than ordinary interest. A lot of Massachusetts people who were married and divorced and married again will now lie awake some at night for a while.

THE CHINESE NEW YEAR.

TOMORROW, or, to speak more literally, at one second after midnight, Salt Lake's Chinatown will begin a series of New Year festivities that will continue for a period of about ten days. It is doubtful if the average Chinaman could tell what he celebrates or why. He knows only that another Chinese year has been born, that one more page has been turned back in the book of time, that he must pay his debts, and that he must smoke all the opium and drink all the rice wine in sight.

Nobody can say exactly what Chinese year begins tomorrow. Some Chinese writers insist that their time should be measured back several millions of years to the original man, one Pan-Ku, who carved himself out of chaos. Others, who are probably more reliable, begin with Foh-Hi, the first of the "Five Rulers," who flourished about 2552 B. C. Confucius "Book of History" is still more recent, beginning with Yao in 2357 B. C.

In his work Confucius records the story of the formation of the first real governmental system for China. All writers agree that China was the first nation on the earth to become civilized. Its people were writing when other people were drawing pictures, or making hieroglyphics; they were artists, inventors, painters, poets and musicians when the rest of the world was eating raw meat and wearing undressed skins for clothing. There are those who say that China is not yet civilized, but that is true only in the sense that it has lapsed from the high degree of civilization it once enjoyed.

With its unnumbered millions of men and women and children, China's possibilities are tremendous. She is a leviathan among the nations, but so far has she fallen behind in the world's progress that she is looked upon today with contempt, and her citizens are objects of scorn and contumely wherever they go. Some day, perhaps, China will awaken, but she can never take the place among nations which she once held.

If China had taken advantage of her opportunities, the New Year celebration that begins tonight would be a world holiday. As it is, we of Salt Lake and elsewhere will look upon it with amused tolerance, tinged with impatience in some instances because our "washee washee" is delayed.

The county judge of Multnomah county, Oregon, where Portland is located, is surely a political freak. After the delinquent tax list had been published at a cost of several thousand dollars, a question as to the legality of the publication arose. Thereupon the judge announced that if the decision was adverse, he would have the delinquent list republished at his own expense. Inasmuch as most politicians in such cases would sit up long enough to figure out a way to make the taxpayers feel the bill, this county judge is entitled to congratulations.

Everybody interested except our esteemed morning contemporary concurs in the re-election of Senator Henry M. Teller by the legislature of Colorado. If Senator Teller doesn't look closely to his own interests our contemporary will have him through out of the senate bodily. From the bitterly unfair methods used by the Tribune in its discussion of this Colorado affair one is impelled to the conclusion that it has a personal grievance against Senator Teller.

"All the mayor can do is to instruct the chief of police what to do," says Mayor Thompson in an interview. "He cannot make the chief follow these instructions." What rot! Is the mayor trying to make the people of Salt Lake believe he is not directly responsible for the gambling and the Sunday whisky selling now going on in this city? If the chief hasn't obeyed his instructions why hasn't he brought the matter to the attention of the council?

The lower house of congress has very wisely decided to enlorge its staff members on Sundays hereafter, instead of breaking into public business with that melancholy pleasure. As a usual thing not half of the compliments paid to the dead are deserved anyway and perhaps the uttering of them on Sunday will make them seem more truthful.

Dr. Mary Walker, who wears trousers and a standing collar, together with other articles of apparel usually worn by males, was recently mistaken for a man in New York. She should have felt highly complimented, but she wasn't, for she whacked the innocent offender over the head with an umbrella.

Unless the bachelors of Salt Lake and vicinity hurry they may as well resign themselves to life-long celibacy. The ordinary civilian will have no chance at all against the 100,000 men in uniform who are coming to show us something about war next September.

Former Senator Woot of Colorado is smart enough to know when he's whipped. He says the re-election of Senator Teller was regular and advises the rest of the opposition to look pleasant.

Count Boni de Castellane has been re-elected to the French chamber of deputies. It would be interesting to know how much this "vindication" cost the Gould family.

Beyond Him.
(Chicago Tribune.)

"Captain," exclaimed the rich philanthropist, in a burst of generosity, "I want to assist you in your noble work. What shall it be?"
"Well," said the captain of the Salvation Army company, his honest face flushing with pleasure, "any little gift of money would be acceptable, of course, but what we most need is a cornet player that can reach F without making a squeak of it."

Man's Inhumanity to Man.
(Oakland Tribune.)

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From Ogden and intermediate points..... 9:00 a.m.
From Caliente, Milford, Nephi, Provo and intermediate points..... 9:30 a.m.
From Ogden, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Denver and San Francisco..... 9:55 a.m.
From Ogden, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Denver and San Francisco..... 9:55 p.m.
From Ogden, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Denver and San Francisco..... 9:55 p.m.
From Ogden, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Denver and San Francisco..... 9:55 p.m.
From Ogden, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Denver and San Francisco..... 9:55 p.m.

DEPART.
For Ogden, Cache Valley, Omaha, Chicago, Denver, Kansas City and St. Louis..... 7:00 a.m.
For Ogden, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Denver and San Francisco..... 7:45 a.m.
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Current Time Table.
In Effect Nov. 1, 1902.
LEAVE SALT LAKE CITY.
No. 6—For Grand Junction, Denver and points east..... 8:30 a.m.
No. 2—For Provo, Grand Junction and all points east..... 8:35 p.m.
No. 4—For Provo, Grand Junction and all points east..... 8:35 p.m.
No. 10—For Bingham, Lehi, Provo, Mt. Pleasant, Manti, Marysville and intermediate points..... 8:30 a.m.
No. 8—For Eureka, Payson, Heber, Provo and intermediate points..... 5:00 p.m.
No. 11—For Ogden and all intermediate points..... 5:30 p.m.
No. 5—For Ogden and the west..... 5:30 a.m.
No. 3—For Ogden and the west..... 5:30 p.m.
No. 1—For Ogden and the west..... 5:30 p.m.
No. 12—For Park City..... 5:15 a.m.

ARRIVE SALT LAKE CITY.
No. 12—From Ogden and all intermediate points..... 3:30 a.m.
No. 5—From Provo, Grand Junction and the east..... 9:35 a.m.
No. 1—From Provo, Grand Junction and the east..... 12:35 p.m.
No. 2—From Provo, Grand Junction and the east..... 10:30 p.m.
No. 3—From Provo, Grand Junction and the east..... 10:30 p.m.
No. 6—From Ogden and the west..... 3:30 a.m.
No. 2—From Ogden and the west..... 3:30 p.m.
No. 7—From Eureka, Payson, Heber, Provo and intermediate points..... 5:00 a.m.
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